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April 19, 2016

Ms. Amy Dutschke
Regional Director
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Pacific Regional Office
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

**RE: Request for 30-Day Extension – Comment Period
Notices of (Non-Gaming) Land Acquisition Application
Shingle Springs Rancheria Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs (Verona Tract)**

Dear Ms. Dutschke,

The County of El Dorado has received two (2) Notices of (Non-Gaming) Land Acquisition Application ("Notices") seeking acceptance of title to real property "in trust" by the United States of America for the Shingle Springs Rancheria Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria (Verona Tract), California.

Correspondence accompanying the Notices advises that the County has 30 days to submit written comments on the proposed acquisition. On behalf of the County of El Dorado, our Board of Supervisors respectfully submits to you our request to extend the comment period by an additional 30 days.

The two Notices include seven parcels and one easement, representing over 35 acres of land for the County to evaluate. An extension of the comment period will allow our County, in coordination with the appropriate County Departments, to review and thoroughly assess the impact of the removal of the identified property from the tax roll, the impact to services that are currently provided to the property, and an analysis of how the intended use is consistent or inconsistent with current zoning. In addition to the number of parcels included within the two Notices, the County does have questions and will need to seek clarification from the Bureau regarding the Legal Land Descriptions/Site Locations provided in relation to APN's 319-100-20-100 and 319-100-21-100, and a non-exclusive easement for road and utility purposes.

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There is great interest within the Community of Shingle Springs and throughout the County of El Dorado in the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indian's ("Tribe") long term objectives for lands they currently hold both in trust by the United States Government and in fee title ownership by the Tribe. We anticipate considerable public comment on the proposed acquisition and would like sufficient time to incorporate these comments into the written comments we submit to the Bureau.

The County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors thanks you for your consideration of our request. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact County of El Dorado Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Shawne Corley at (530) 621-5117 .

Sincerely,

Ron Mikulaco, Chair
Board of Supervisors
County of El Dorado

cc: Nicholas H. Fonseca, Chairman, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians